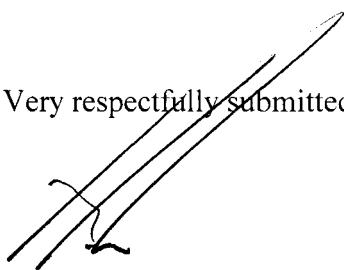


Response

The Examiner asserts that the Applicant inadvertently omitted parenthesis on claims 2, 6, 8, 12, and 13. The Applicant thanks the Examiner for pointing out the omission. In response, the Applicant has attached a replacement listing of claims correcting the error.

Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the Applicant's representative for a telephonic interview if so doing would expedite the prosecution of the application.

Very respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory Scott Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'G' at the beginning.

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